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## NEW HOSPITAL DEDICATED

### Drive Named For

### Late Congressman

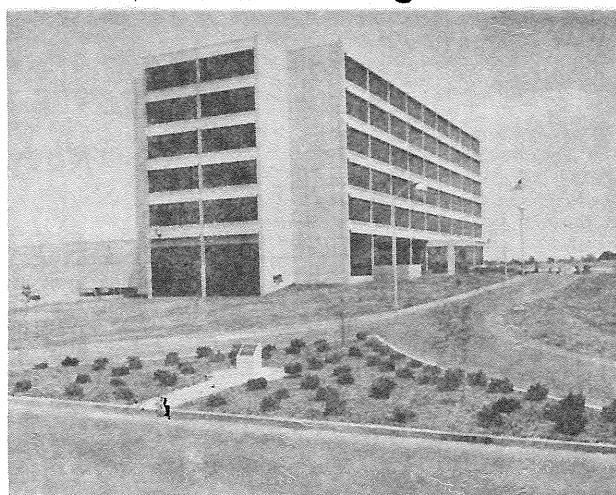
With the long awaited dedication ceremonies May 1, the new, ultra-modern Naval Hospital Memphis became a reality.

Acceptance of the 230 bed hospital from the contractor was made by Capt. W. B. Jones, Commanding Officer of the Southern Division Naval Facilities Engineering Command. Capt. Jones then presented the building to the Chief of the Bureau of Medicine and Surgery, VAdm. G. M. Davis. Admiral Davis in turn transferred it to RAdm. R. D. Nauman, Commanding Officer of Naval Hospital Memphis.

Following formal transfer and acceptance of the building, RAdm. A. A. Bergner, Chief of Naval Technical Training, introduced the dedication speaker, Congressman Ed Jones (D-Tenn.)

In his address, Congressman Jones praised the efforts of those who contributed to the completion of the new facility. He also paid a special tribute to the late Congressman R. A. "Fats" Everett (D-Tenn) who was instrumental in the push for the new hospital. The drive encircling the hospital has been named Everett Drive in gratitude for Rep. Everett's efforts.

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Pictured above is the new Naval Hospital showing the monument and Everett Drive named in honor of the late Congressman R. A. "Fats" Everett. Congressman Everett played an instrumental role in realization of the new hospital. As a Tennessee congressman, the Honorable Mr. Everett fought hard for the appropriations necessary for the badly needed new facility.

REAR ADMIRAL R. D. NAUMAN, MC, USN.....COMMANDING OFFICER  
CAPTAIN C. R. HAMLIN, MC, USN.....EXECUTIVE OFFICER  
COMMANDER J. W. YOUNG, MSC, USN.....ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

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## CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

### DO IT YOURSELF CHURCH

By D. C. Alexander, Cdr., CHC, USN

One portable, lightweight pew. Can be set up anywhere. One small paper covered hymnal containing one dozen well known hymns. One harmonica. (You'll find it difficult to play and sing at the same time. But, after all there must be some challenge.)

One abbreviated New Testament with familiar selections designed to be read in less than one minute. One set of Responsive Readings, (these can be used effectively at home...in an empty room, or out of doors...if there is an echo.)

One small offering plate...to be held in the left hand while putting the coin in with the right; (Denomination of coin is unimportant as you get it back anyway.)

One brief sermon entitled, "What a good person I am". It may be read aloud or silently. (Tests have proved that the theme can be used time and time again.)

Those who have used our "Do-it-yourself" Worship kit tell us that they get an extra lift if, at the close of the service, they rush to the mirror and shake hands with themselves. But this is optional.

So why spend time in Church? Why support someone else to do something you do as well by yourself? Send today for your new "Do-it-yourself" worship kit. (Cash or C.O.D. only. Our experience with charge orders has been disappointing.)

Daily devotions are being held Monday through Friday from 1240 to 1250 in the Hospital Chapel. Chaplain Alexander welcomes and urges all staff and patients to attend.



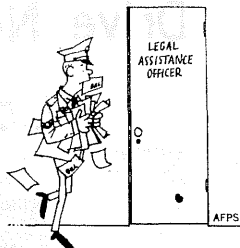
## Legal Check-Up Program Begun

Poor prior planning of wills has caused legal and financial difficulties for many Navy families.

Because of this, the Navy has inaugurated the Legal Checkup Program.

The Legal Checkup Program is being established so that all Naval Personnel will be aware of the availability of legal officers to assist them in their personal legal matters and to ensure that each person is given the opportunity to review these affairs periodically. The program is also designed to prevent legal problems before they happen.

Each person will be given a chance to review his personal matters with emphasis placed on this annually during the month of October. For this, October has been designated "Legal Checkup Month". Further details of this program are to be announced soon.



## Navy Inaugurates PEP

Through a new exchange program, active duty personnel will have the opportunity to see what it is like to be in another country's Navy.

The Personnel Exchange Program (PEP) allows officers and enlisted men of our Navy to "swap places" with sailors in the Navies of our Allies.

Selection for PEP is based upon many criteria including foreign language proficiency and a personal interview.

Eligibility is open to all officers, however the majority of those chosen are of unrestricted line category. Enlisted personnel in all ratings are invited to apply especially in technical and deprived ratings where bill-

### New Non-Fiction

Wilson, Colin, *THE OCCULT*. The author deals with the connection between creativity and psychic sensitivity, the history of magics and adepts in their historical background, the metaphysical questions that arise out of occultism.

Reader's Digest, *HOW TO INCREASE YOUR WORD POWER*.

Salm, Walter G., *STEREO IN YOUR HOME*

Larier, Lawrence, *BEST CARTOONS OF THE YEAR, 1971*.

Cole, William, ed., *POETRY BRIEF: AN ANTHOLOGY OF SHORT, SHORT POEMS*.

Tarkenton, Fran, *BROKEN PATTERNS, THE EDUCATION OF A QUARTERBACK*.

Purdon, Eric, *BLACK COMPANY: THE STORY OF SUBCHASER PC 1264*.

### New Fiction

Blair, Clay, Jr., *PENTAGON COUNTRY*. A fast-moving dramatic novel whose subject is the Military in dramatic conflict with the Anti-Military.

Jones, D. F., *DENVER IS MISSING*. Nitrogen, released from the ocean bed by experimenting scientists brings death and destruction to the United States.

Warren, Robert Penn, *MEET ME IN THE GREEN GLEN*.

ets are the most concentrated. Enlisted personnel eligible should be a volunteer, have obligated service to cover the full two year enlistment or be willing to extend, be a career orientated E5 or above and have a record indicating solid and stable performance.

Successful completion of a PEP tour will qualify an officer as a country, area or regional specialist and enlisted personnel will be assigned country, area or regional classification.

Those interested in the Personnel Exchange Program should contact the Education and Training Office for further information.



## DEDICATION CONTINUED

After Congressman Jones' speech, guests attended a reception held in the mess hall and toured the new hospital.

The dedication ceremony, held inside because of rainy weather, officially signaled the end of a drive for new medical facilities at Navy Memphis.

The 7-story structure consists of 210 beds, 20 intensive care beds and an outpatient department capable of handling up to 1000 visits per day.

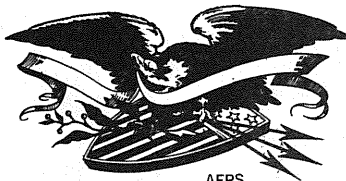
One of the most modern hospitals in the United States, it offers many advanced features. An automatic air conditioning and heating system keeps the building comfortable throughout. Back up electrical service to all critical areas is provided by an emergency generator. Located throughout the hospital is an automatic smoke, heat and fire detection system. Automatic trash and vacuum systems provide services throughout the hospital.

Each patient is connected electronically to the nurses station by a nurse-call system. This system also allows the patient a choice of five music channels plus the remote control of a color television set. An in-house closed circuit entertainment system, part of a central communications system, is another feature of extended patient convenience.

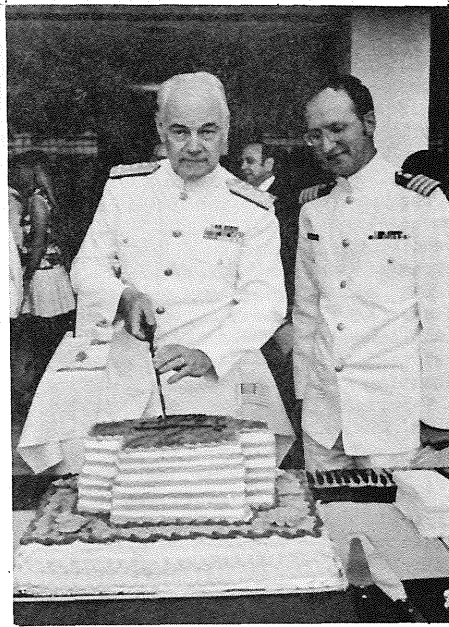
The central communications system also includes remote controlled security surveillance cameras, an educational closed circuit color television system, an electronic paging system, piped-in background music, and a public address system.

A very modern and convenient central dictation system is another of the many outstanding features of Naval Hospital Memphis.

The new hospital marks the beginning of a new wave of modern Naval Hospitals to be opened within the next five years. In remarks made by VAdm. Davis at the dedication ceremony, tentative plans for more modern hospitals were revealed. Among the new facilities to be opened in this five year span will be facilities in Orlando, Jacksonville and New Orleans. Admiral Davis indicated these plans are part of the Navy's continuing effort to provide Naval personnel and their families with the best medical care available.



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At the reception following the dedication ceremonies, VAdm. G. M. Davis, Chief of the Bureau of Medicine and Surgery, cuts a cake which was made in the shape of the new hospital. Capt. C. R. Hamlin, Executive Officer of Naval Hospital Memphis, looks on.



Tennessee Congressman Ed Jones delivers the dedicatory address. In his address, Congressman Jones praised those persons who had a part in completing the new hospital and paid a special tribute to the late Rep. R. A. "Fats" Everett. The honorable Mr. Everett was instrumental in the fight for appropriations to build the new hospital.



RAdm. R. D. Nauman, Commanding Officer of Naval Hospital Memphis, accepts the new hospital from VAdm. G. M. Davis, Chief of the Bureau of Medicine and Surgery, during hospital dedication ceremonies held May 1. According to Adm. Davis, Naval Hospital Memphis is the first step in a 5 year program to update Naval medical facilities.

## CHAPLAIN TO RECEIVE DEGREE

After three years of part-time study Chaplain D. C. Alexander will be graduated from Memphis Theological Seminary with a Masters of Divinity degree on June 4.

Chaplain Alexander started work on the degree at another command in 1969. Upon coming to Naval Hospital Memphis, he continued his work on the 24 hour program at the Memphis seminary.

After being graduated from Bethel College in Mc Kenzie, Tennessee, Chaplain Alexander attended the Cumberland Presbyterian Theological Seminary. Graduating from the seminary in 1958, he reported for active duty at the Navy's Chaplain's School located in Newport, Rhode Island. In the 14 years Chaplain Alexander has been in the Navy he has been stationed at 10 different commands, coming to Naval Hospital Memphis in April of 1970. The highlight of Chaplain Alexander's Navy career was his selection by the Reserve Officers Association as the Armed Forces "Chaplain of the Year" in 1961.

Promoted to his present rank of Commander in 1969, Chaplain Alexander is presently serving as interim pastor at the Millington United Presbyterian Church.

## THE FIRST AND THE LAST

At 0628 on 2 May 1972, the delivery suite of the old hospital served as a birthplace for the last time when Mrs. Delia Vera gave birth to a baby boy. The young son of GySgt. Noe Vera, stationed at MATSG-90, weighed in at 7 pounds 8½ ounces. Young Noe Jr. now has the distinction of being the last child among thousands born in the delivery suite of the old hospital which has served Navy Memphis for nearly 30 years.

The young Vera boy and his mother made it a short stay at the old building, however, as they moved into the new facilities about 1000 that morning.



Mrs. Delia Vera and son, Noe Jr.



Mrs. Luedell Veal and baby daughter, Sophia Marie.

Later, in the night of 2 May 1972 at 2235, Mrs. Luedell Veal gave birth to a six pound baby girl, the first born at the new Naval Hospital.

Named Sophia Marie, the young Veal baby made SP4 James Veal, a native Memphian, a proud new father. SP4 Veal is currently stationed with the U. S. Army in Germany.

Congratulations to both Noe Jr. and Sophia Marie who helped Naval Hospital Memphis close down the old hospital "relic" and initiate the new, modern facility.

## LCDR Karch "Frocked" TV Being Used In Psych Research



LCDR L. L. Karch receives a letter from Capt. C. R. Hamlin conferring upon him all the benefits of the rank of LCDR with the exception of pay. LCDR Karch is the first officer at Naval Hospital Memphis to be "frocked" under a new policy recently set forth by the Secretary of the Navy. The policy permits officers selected for promotion to assume title and wear the uniform of the rank to which selected. However the policy does not authorize pay and allowances until actually promoted.

BETHESDA, MD. (NAVNEWS) The psychiatry Department at the Naval Hospital here is conducting a study using television in treating patients admitted following suicide attempts.

The Naval Hospital, in collaboration with the Center for Studies of Suicide Prevention, National Institute of Mental Health is the first to participate in the study using TV videotapes in this manner.

On call 24 hours a day, the research team uses the Self Exposure Experience (SEE) because after a suicide attempt patients frequently deny that they had any suicidal intent. This denial makes psycho-therapy difficult or impossible.

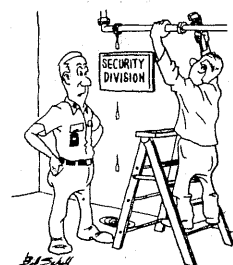
When notified that a patient is being brought in, the research team hurries to location (usually the emergency room) with a portable videotape unit. The use of stomach pumps, transfusion, and other life-saving techniques used on the patient, are recorded on videotape.

After the patient is admitted to the Psychiatry Department for treatment, his initial psychiatric interview is also recorded on videotape. After initial testing, patients begin in-patient therapy which has three facets: lying

in a therapeutic community with other psychiatric patients; group therapy; and individual therapy.

At an appropriate time in the patient's therapy, the patient is shown an edited, 10-minute portion of the videotape of his admission. During the showing of the tape, the patient's galvanic skin response is monitored. His response to seeing the tape.

Seeing the medical treatment necessary to sustain his life, according to the researchers, makes it almost impossible for the patient and his family to deny the seriousness of his actions, thus facilitating psycho-therapy.



In the future you will refer to this as a plumbing problem... not a leak in security !!

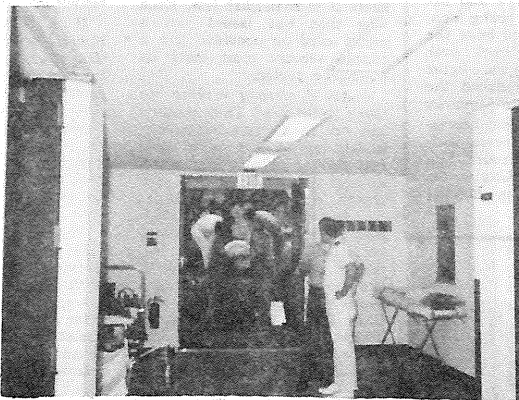




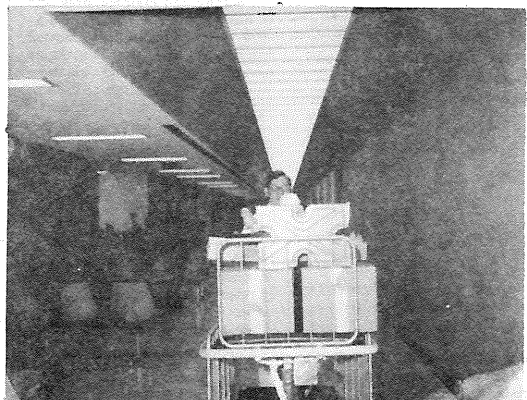
Miss K. A. Haley signs papers promoting her to her present rank of LtJg. as Capt. C. R. Hamlin, XO, and Capt. A. L. Davis, Chief Nurse, look on.



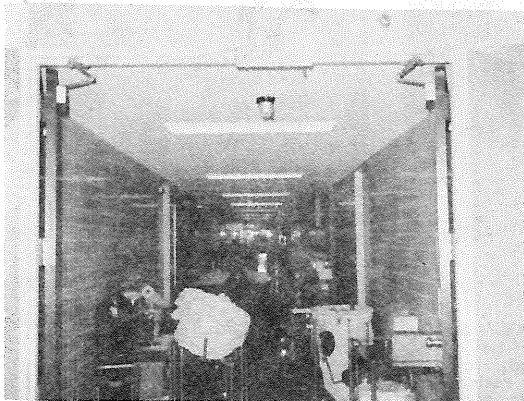
A food service worker leader, James Koonce, is presented with a 30 year pin and a letter of appreciation by Capt. C. R. Hamlin as Elmer Harrison, food service foreman, watches.



Orthopedic patients are unloaded after being transported from the old hospital.



HM3 Dennis Palmer, a corpsman on pediatrics, pushes a cart of supplies.



As this picture indicates, moving into the new hospital was no small task for the operating room staff.



PFC Gary Foster, a patient on 3-east, moves into his new room.



## Nation's Parks Celebrate Centennial

This year marks the centennial of the National Parks, which are administered by the National Park Service. The organization is devoted to preserving the beauty of the nation's national parks and to preserving the heritage that made it great. There has long been a link between the Park Service and the military services. Many of the areas preserved and interpreted by the Park Service were once battle-grounds that figured in actions preserved forever in the battle streamers of the U. S. Army. Although the majority of the historical areas under the Park Service are concerned with the Army, there are areas such as the Wright Brothers National Memorial, in North Carolina and Peary's Victory and International Peace Memorial National Monument, in Ohio, that give cause to the Air Force and Navy to be proud. At Harpers Ferry National Monument, it was the U. S. Marines under the command of Robert E. Lee who finally subdued John Brown after his famous raid on the National Armory there.

Fort Davis National Historic Site in Texas preserved the proud history of the Buffalo Soldiers, the famous black cavalrymen who helped tame America's Wild West. There are many areas in the Southwest associated with the history of the nation's original inhabitants, the Indians. These are today preserved by the Park Service.

For many years, the Nation's first national park, Yellowstone, was under the control of the U. S. Army. It was the Army who built the original roads in the area and opened it up to tourists.

Tourists visiting national parks today have many problems to put up with, what with the tremendous rise in visitation, but none can compare with the troubles experienced by a party of visitors to Yellowstone a century ago—they were captured by hostile Indians.

It was at this time that the great Indian Chief Joseph was leading his people on an epic march to escape the Army. Although they held the party hostage for a time, they were released unharmed after a few days.

It was an Army lieutenant who nicknamed that famous attraction of Yellowstone—Old Faithful. Indeed in the early years of the nation it was the Army who explored the entire area.

Today many areas no longer needed by the Department of Defense are turned over to the National Park Service. If ever there is no longer a need for such historical areas as Forts Sill, Carson and Huachuca, it will probably be the Park Service that will take over their administration.

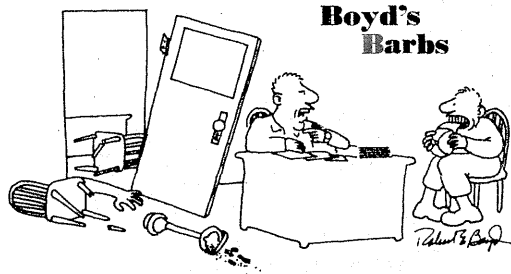
Today the National Park Service oversees 38 parks and more than 240 historic sites and monuments. Its 30,012,075 1/2-acre domain embraces forested mountains and vast limestone caverns, geysers and glaciers, volcanoes and hot springs, famous buildings and battlefields.

Glacier Bay National Monument, covering 2,803,840 acres of Alaska, is the largest site in the national park system.

The smallest is an old brick house that occupies 1/20th of an acre of land in the center of Washington, D.C. The mortally wounded Abraham Lincoln was carried to a room in this house after being shot in Ford's Theatre across the street.

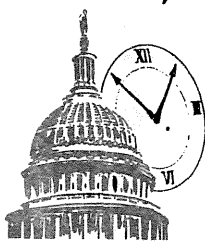
Commenting recently on the centennial of the park program, Secretary of the Interior Rogers C. B. Morton observed:

"What began at Yellowstone has developed into a system of national parks that has vastly improved the quality of life for many Americans and now plays a vital role in the effort to understand and sustain our environment."



"I think he's finished chatting with Klugman. Now you can go in..."

### Black History



## Benjamin Banneker

By Ed Beasley

When our nation was very young, a French engineer, Pierre L'Enfant, was hired to plan the city of Washington, D.C. But he was a hothead, and when George Washington fired him, he took his plans with him.

Fortunately, a remarkable Black man named Benjamin Banneker was on the planning board, and he was able to recreate the whole design entirely from memory.

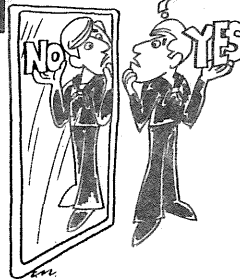
This man was one of those rare self-taught scholars. He taught himself mathematics and astronomy. As a young man, he designed and built the first striking clock ever made in America. Later in life, he published the yearly Banneker Almanac.

Because of his accomplishments, Thomas Jefferson recommended him to George Washington for a position on the planning board.



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## Personal Data Bank



## Credit? Better Ask Your Pocketbook

Are you about to make a major purchase? Can you afford it, or will you buy on credit or seek a cash loan?

Before you decide to take the credit route, ask yourself the following questions—

—Can I get credit without extra cost? Yes—many stores, the oil companies, and the credit specialty firms that issue national or international cards allow payment within specified periods without service or interest charges. The period for most department stores is 30 days; for some credit card issuers it is somewhat less. Each firm that has issued you a credit card or provided you a charge account must state its no-charge period.

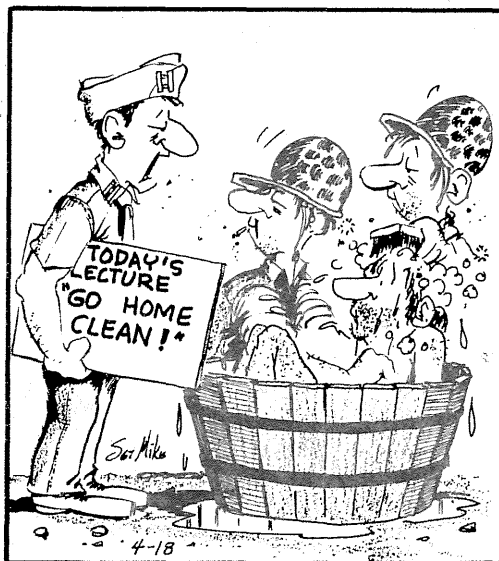
—Am I already making too many payments? This question can act as a "rule of thumb" in determining how much credit may be too much. Certain essentials must be paid for each month—such as food, house payments or rent, fuel and utilities, telephone service, transportation, insurance, and recreation. A certain amount of one's take-home pay should also be set aside monthly as savings. Only if there is money to spare after these essentials have been covered should one undertake the added obligation of financ-

ing purchases on a credit or loan basis.

—Is something I want to buy now on credit worth the extra cost to me? Sometimes the rational answer is, "Yes." For example, when an item that will be purchased anyway can be bought at considerable savings, it might be smart money management to borrow cash and get the lower price. But, when the item is some "nice to have" home or leisure convenience, or when the credit will cost a very large amount—such as 18 percent—the answer probably should be, "No."

If a Service member finds himself over-extended and in danger of getting too heavily in debt in spite of these precautions, the unit commander may be of assistance. The unit commander may be able to offer suggestions, from his personal experience or official sources, that will help the Service member solve the pending debt problem.

The command legal assistance office is another avenue open to Service members seeking help with credit or debt problems. Here, professional lawyers can offer specific legal advice and assistance to help keep the seriousness of the problem to a minimum.



"GIVIN' SLEDGE A BATH WASN'T EXACTLY WHAT I MEANT WHEN I SAID WE GOTTA CLEAN UP TH DOPE IN THIS OUTFIT."